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February 12, 2008

Mr. Charles L. A. Terreni Chief Clerk and Administrator South Carolina Public Service Commission Synergy Business Park, The Saluda Building 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Application of FRC, LLC, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local Exchange and Exchange Access Services throughout the State of South Carolina and Request for Flexible Regulation Docket No. 2008-

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Please find attached on behalf of FRC, LLC, a Motion for Protective Treatment of Financial Documents in the above-referenced matter. We are filing under seal through hand delivery Confidential Exhibit C to the above-referenced application. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Sue-Ann Gerald Shannor

cc: Mr. C. Dukes Scott, Office of Regulatory Staff

Enclosures

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IN RE:	
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MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE TREATMENT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FRC, LLC ("FRC") respectfully requests that the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("the Commission") treat as confidential the audited financial statements for the periods ended December 31, 2006, as well as the unaudited financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2007, which are attached hereto as Confidential Exhibit C to its Application. This motion is made on the following grounds:

1. The Applicant's legal name, address, telephone number, and facsimile number are as follows:

FRC, LLC 1500 Hampton Street, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29201 Telephone: (803) 726-4080 Facsimile: (803) 771-0698

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2. Correspondence regarding this Motion should be addressed to Movant's counsel:

M. John Bowen, Jr., Esq. Sue-Ann Gerald Shannon, Esq. McNAIR LAW FIRM, P.A. Post Office Box 11390 Columbia, South Carolina 29211 Telephone: (803) 799-9800

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- 3. The above-captioned Application requires FRC to disclose certain financial information that it is financially fit to provide the services proposed in the Application. This information is contained within Confidential Exhibit C to FRC's Application. This information, however, is entitled to confidential protection pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §§ 39-8-10 et seq., and S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-804(S)(2).
- 4. Certain commercially-sensitive and proprietary business information is exempt from public disclosure. The accompanying financial information contains proprietary business information relating directly to FRC's financial operations and falls within the definition of materials which may be exempted from disclosure. As a privately-held company, FRC does not make this information available to the public. Disclosure of such commercially-sensitive information would be harmful in light of the more competitive telecommunications environment and, therefore, it is not appropriate to make this information publicly available. Access could give actual and potential competitors an unfair competitive advantage. As such, FRC's financial statements are "trade secrets" as defined in S.C. Code Ann. § 39-8-20(5).
- 5. Confidential treatment of the financial documents is consistent with the Commission's prior rulings and prior treatment of similar information.

- 6. In accordance with Commission guidelines, as set out in Commission Order No. 2005-226, "Order Requiring Designation of Confidential Materials," the accompanying materials are contained in a separate, sealed envelope with each page marked "Confidential" in red ink.
- 7. FRC understands that confidential and protective treatment will not extend to documents required to be filed with ORS, such as Universal Service Fund worksheets, annual reports, and gross receipts reports.

WHEREFORE, FRC respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Motion and treat as confidential the information contained in Confidential Exhibit C to FRC's Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local Exchange and Exchange Access Services throughout the State of South Carolina and Request for Flexible Regulation.

Respectfully submitted,

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This is to certify that I, Betty B. Wheeler, have this date served one (1) copy of the Motion for Protective Treatment of Financial Documents, with accompanying materials filed under Seal, to the person named below by causing said copies to be hand-delivered and addressed as shown:

C. Dukes Scott
Executive Director
Office of Regulatory Staff
1441 Main Street
Suite 300
Columbia, SC 29201

Betty B. Wheeler

February 12, 2008

Columbia, South Carolina